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SUBJ: MRS MEIR'S DEC 20 SPEECH

PARIS FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

SUMMARY. IN 35 MINUTE SPEECH WHICH MRS MEIR DELIVERED
BEFORE KNESSET AT 9:10 THIS MORNING, SHE MADE FOLLOWING POINTS:
ISRAEL REGRETS THAT EGYPT BROKE OFF KM 101 TALKS AND IS READY TO
RESUME DISENGAGEMENT DISCUSSION " WHEN PEACE CONFERENCE
CONVENES", MRS MEIR IN WASHINGTON AND JERUSALEM HAD DETAILED
DISCUSSIONS WITH SECRETARY ON NOT ONLY PEACE CONFERENCE
MODALITIES, BUT ALSO SEPARATION OF FORCES, ISSUE WHICH
SECRETARY " WISHED TO STUDY THOROUGHLY", AND SECRETARY'S
DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT WITH EGYPT AND ISRAEL " HAS NOT YET
BEEN COMPLETED"; SECRETARY ATTACHED " SUPREME IMPORTANCE" TO
HAVING PEACE CONFERENCE OPEN IN DECEMBER " LEAST OBSTACLES
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CROPPED UP AND POSSIBLY EVEN THE FIRING WAS RESUMED," AND

ISRAEL FOR THE SAME REASONS WAS NOT INTERESTED IN POST-PONEMENTS; ISRAEL'S AGREEMENT TO A DECEMBER CONVENING WAS CONDITIONAL ON THERE BEING NO SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF PEACE ISSUES UNTIL FORMATION OF NEW ISRAELI CABINET; TWO DAY OPENING WILL BE " FORMAL ONLY," FOLLOWED BY INTERVAL UNTIL JANUARY; SESSION ON DECEMBER 22 SABBAT CANNOT BE AVOIDED; RETURNING AGAIN TO SUBJECT OF DISENGAGEMENT, MRS MEIR SAID THAT IN JANUARY ISRAEL WILL BE READY FOR DISENGAGEMENT DISCUSSION "EVEN BEFORE THE NEW GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN FORMED"; US CLARIFIED FUNCTION OF UN IN CONFERENCE--CONVENING ONLY, PLUS SERVICES; DESPITE "DISTURBING" DEC 15 UNSC RESOLUTION ISRAEL WILL OPPOSE ANY UNSC OR OTHER OUTSIDE INVOLVEMENT, AND IT "INCONCEIVABLE THAT THE US SHOULD ACQUIESCE IN SUCH A BREACH OF THE AGREED ASSUMPTIONS."

2. MRS MEIR CONTINUED THAT SYRIAN STAND ON POWS AND CONFERENCE IS INCOMPREHENSIBLE, AND SYRIAN RULERS "ASSUMING A TERRIBLE RESPONSIBILITY"; NEGOTIATIONS MUST BE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND THE FOUR STATES BORDERING IT AND NO OTHER; IT "INCONCEIVABLE" THAT ISRAEL SHOULD AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN A CONFERENCE TO WHICH TERRORIST REPRESENTATIVES "UNDER THE AEGIS OF THE PLO OR ANY OTHER" SHOULD BE INVITED; ABSENCE OF USSR-ISRAEL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IS "DISTURBING", AND SOVIET BEHAVIOR AT GENEVA WILL TELL THEIR AIMS; US HAS "CLEARCUT STAND" IN FAVOR OF DIRECT NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN PARTIES; MRS. MEIR BELIEVED NEW GOVERNMENT AFTER ELECTION WOULD CALL FOR "PEACE WITHIN DEFINITE BORDERS," " A CONTRACTUAL PEACE BETWEEN THE PARTIES, WITH DEFENSIBLE BORDERS."

3. MRS MEIR SAID ISRAEL ENTERS NEGOTIATIONS WITH NO PRIOR CONDITIONS AND IS NOT "ACCEPTING BEFOREHAND THE CONDITIONS OF THE OTHER PARTIES, AS STATED BY THEM PUBLICLY AND OTHERWISE"; ISRAEL GOES TO GENEVA "SOBERLY, WHOLEHEARTEDLY, AND COURAGEOUSLY," AND WILL "NOT CEASE TO STRIVE FOR A FULL PEACE-- IN THE SIMPLE SENSE OF THE TERM--A PEACE TO END WARS, WHICH WILL OPEN UP BRIGHT PROSPECTS FOR THE UNDISTURBED DEVELOPMENT... FOR EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THE PEOPLES AND STATES OF THE MIDDLE EAST."

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